



Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 856

Chairperson: Ray Aguilar
Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Date of Hearing: January 23, 2008

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

The intent of LB 856 is to bring Nebraska into compliance with federal law regarding filling vacancies in the House of Representatives when 100 or more vacancies exist. In 2005, federal legislation was adopted to provide for expedited elections should there be a situation where a large number of vacancies occurred. The federal legislation requires that special election occur within 49 days after the Speaker of the House of Representatives declares the vacancies. The legislation also addresses nominations for the ballot as well as provisions for military and overseas voters.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Scott Lautenbaugh